

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title:	GENETICALLY ENGINEERED CELLS WHICH EXPRESS BONE MORPHOGENIC PROTEINS		

RESPONSE

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Response is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed May 26, 2009 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the May 26, 2009 Office Action was due August 26, 2009. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for a 1-Month Extension of Time, including the required fee. Therefore, a response is due September 26, 2009. Since September 26, 2009 is a Saturday, a response is due the next business day, i.e. September 28, 2009. Accordingly, this paper is being timely filed.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.